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FOR:

ASYNCHRONOUS FIFO

CIRCUIT AND METHOD OF READING

AND WRITING DATA THROUGH ASYNCHRONOUS FIFO CIRCUIT

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

SPECIFICATION:

Specification at page 4, line 13:

One aspect of the present invention is an asynchronous FIFO circuit comprising:

Specification at page 5, line 10:

Another aspect of the present invention is an asynchronous FIFO circuit comprising:

Specification at page 7, line 3:

Still another aspect of the present invention is the asynchronous FIFO circuit, wherein said error write counter and said error read counter are formed of a gray code counter.

Specification at page 7, line 7:

Yet still another aspect of the present invention is an asynchronous FIFO data reading and writing method comprising:

Specification at page 8, line 1:

Still yet another aspect of the present invention is an asynchronous FIFO data reading and writing method comprising:

Specification at page 9, line 20:

A further aspect of the present invention is the asynchronous FIFO data reading and writing method, wherein said error write step and said error read step are formed of a gray code count step.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

SPECIFICATION:

Specification at page 4, line 13:

The 1st invention-One aspect of the present invention is an asynchronous FIFO circuit comprising:

Specification at page 5, line 10:

The 2nd invention Another aspect of the present invention is an asynchronous FIFO circuit comprising:

Specification at page 7, line 3:

The 3rd invention Still another aspect of the present invention is the asynchronous FIFO circuit-according to 1st or 2nd inventions, wherein said error write counter and said error read counter are formed of a gray code counter.

Specification at page 7, line 7:

The 4th invention Yet still another aspect of the present invention is an asynchronous FIFO data reading and writing method comprising:

Specification at page 8, line 1:

The 5th invention-Still yet another aspect of the present invention is an asynchronous FIFO data reading and writing method comprising:

Specification at page 9, line 20:

The 6th invention-A further aspect of the present invention is the asynchronous FIFO data reading and writing method-according to 4th or 5th inventions, wherein said error write step and said error read step are formed of a gray code count step.